

Remarks:

Applicants note with appreciation the indication of allowable subject matter. Claims 1-8, 11-12 were rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, and claims 9-10, and 13-21 were objected to. Claims 1-2, 4, 6-8, 11-18, and 20-21 are herein amended to further clarify what the inventors regard as their invention, to address antecedent basis issues, to correct typographical errors, or to conform dependent claims to preceding claims. Claim 13 is amended to correct its dependency from claim 12. Claims 1-21 are currently pending. The specification is amended to address typographical errors and to clarify support for various claim terms. Each amendment is supported by the application as filed, and in particular support may be found at least on page 5 line 16 through page 8 line 25, page 10 line 8 through page 11 line 14, and both Figs. 1 and 2. No new matter is introduced by the claim amendments herein.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 8, 13, 16, 17, 18, and 21 were objected to based on various claim deficiencies. Each of these objections are addressed by the amendments herein. Withdrawal of all objections is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-7, 8, 11 and 12 were rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite due to lack of proper antecedent basis. Each of these claims, or the corresponding superior claim, is amended to address these rejections. Withdrawal of all rejections is respectfully requested.

After removal of the noted objections and rejections, Applicants submit this case is now in condition for allowance, and notice thereof is earnestly requested. If a telephone call is considered necessary or desirable to further prosecution, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number shown below.

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